



2010 VA/DoD Joint Venture Conference

“The Way Ahead”

Buckley AFB & Denver VA

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History

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- 2003 – Fitzsimons Regional Federal Medical Center Act of 2003
 - Act called for a **Joint** federal tower
 - 2004 – Plans for Fitzsimons Campus Completed - Combined VA/DoD effort
 - Land available from the UCH **inadequate** for federal tower footprint
 - 2007 – DoD reopened possibility of entering the project
 - 2008 – Denver Tiger Team established and CONOPS created
 - 30 April 2008: Denver VA & MDG joint partnership kick-off
 - 2009 – Overall Project Eagle established; ECD Feb 2014
 - Decision to include **inpatient** tower
 - **#1 priority** to complete DoD Clinic Feb 2012
 - 2010 – Project Eagle schematic & design development
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Joint Mission & Vision

Mission: Honoring America's warfighters, military dependents & veterans through the provision of exceptional preventative and curative health services

Vision: Achieve integrated VA/DoD healthcare facility providing seamless care to Denver-area warriors, families & veterans



Demographics/Workload



	Eligible Beneficiaries	Enrolled Population
Veterans Affairs Aurora/Denver Locale only	60,000	35,500
Dept of Defense Buckley AFB & Tenants	57,000	9,000
Combined Workload: Total 600,000 annual outpatient medical visits	117,000	44,500

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Resources

	Staff (FTEs)	Budget
Veterans Affairs Aurora/Denver Locale only	1,800+	\$296 Million
Dept of Defense 460 th Medical Group	165	\$15 Million
Combined Staff	~2,000	\$311 Million

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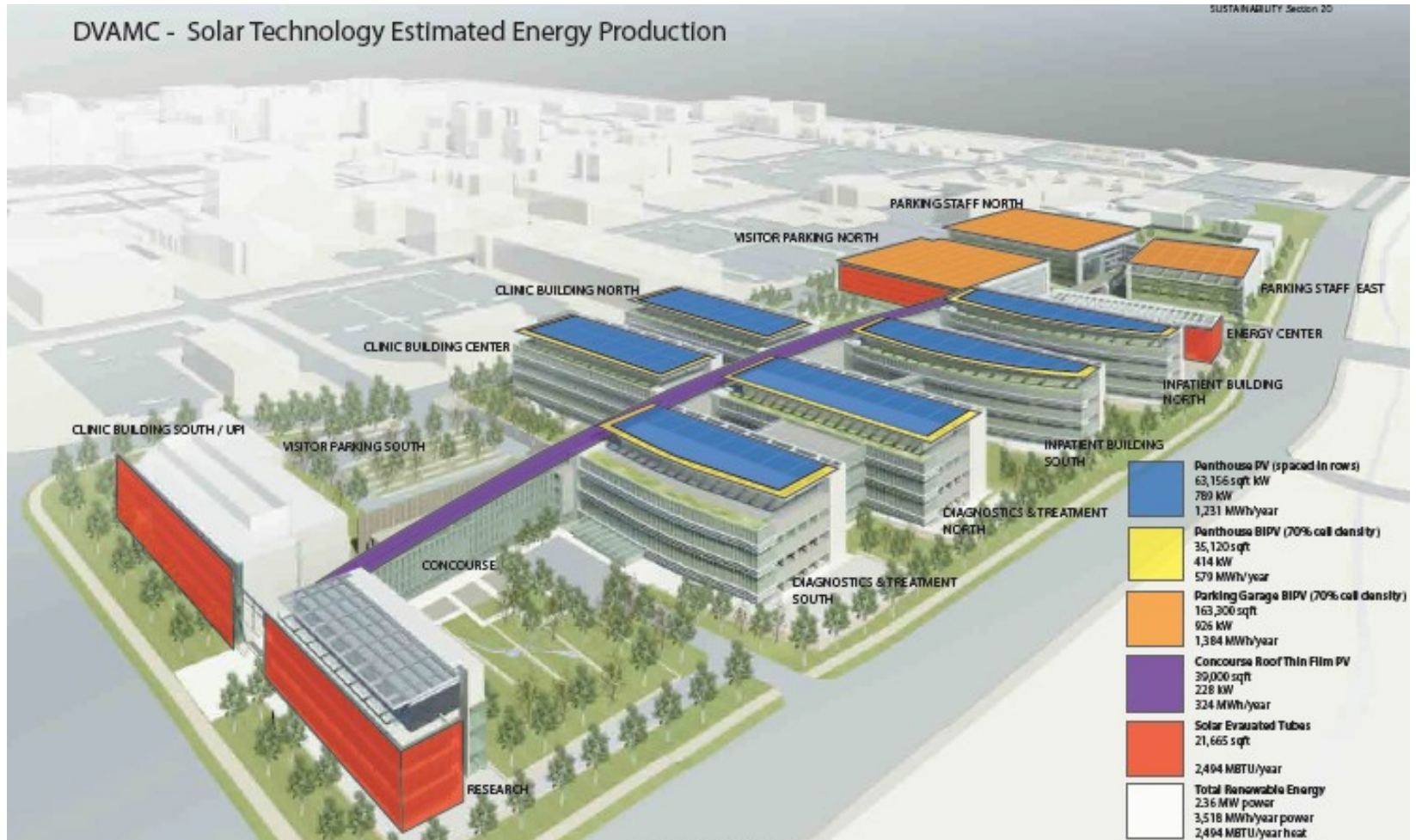


Opportunities

- Utilization of VA excess capacity or capability
 - VA must meet TRICARE Prime access standards
 - VA Reference [Lab](#) - 460 MDG currently utilizes LabCorp BPA Contract
 - [Radiology](#) - 460 MDG currently utilizes TRICARE Network
 - Offers Buckley a [specialty](#) referral base
- Possibility for future “Sharing”
 - BLS for Healthcare Providers, Advanced Trauma Life Support
 - [Education and Training](#) Mediman (Human Simulator)
 - With Denver VAMC deemed as a MTF
 - Denver VA [“Currency Platform”](#) for USAF
 - Streamline transition of retiring/separating members
 - One-stop shop at/near Buckley Clinic
 - Offers VA an opportunity to optimize capacities (CBOCs)



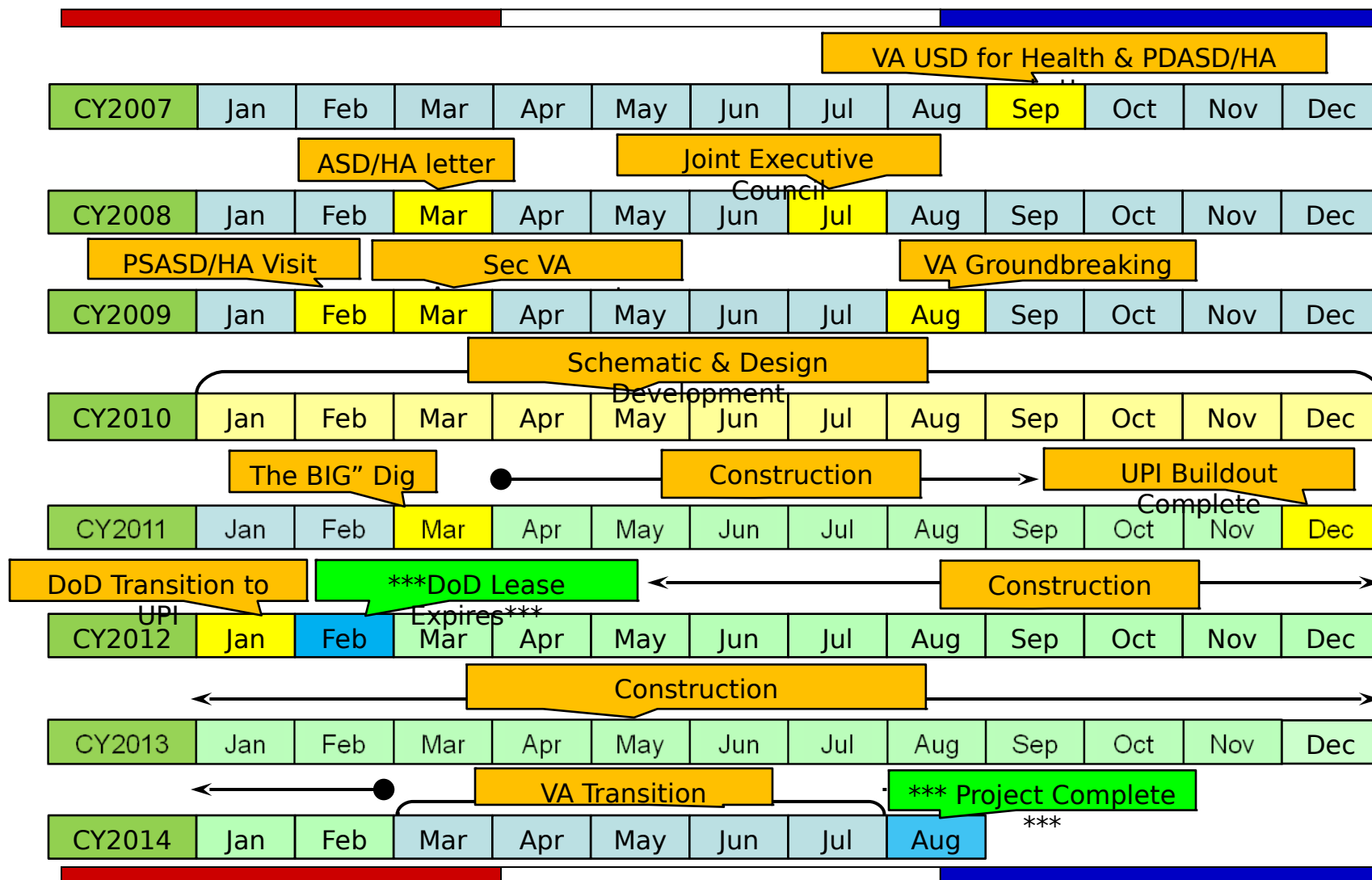
Project Eagle Update





Project Eagle

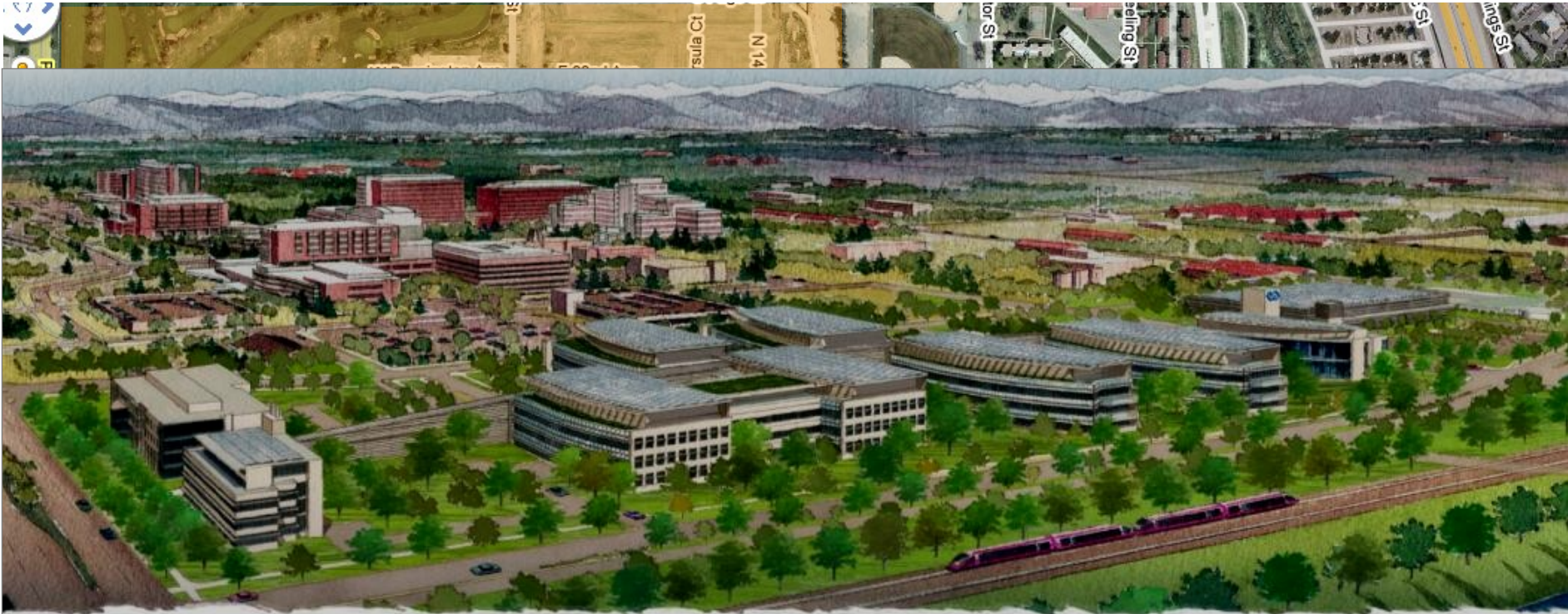
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Project Eagle

Fitzsimmons Medical Campus



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Project Eagle

Current Progress



- Recently completed Design Development (DD) 1& 2
 - UPI building buildout that will house the 460 MDG
- Project Design Development complete: **24 Sept 2010**
 - Inpatient, Diagnostics & Treatment, Central Utility Plant, SCI, Research, Ambulatory Care, CLC and Warehouse
- DD 1&2 Peer Review for UPI building: **October 2010**
- DD 1&2 Peer Review for Core, Shell & Structure for remainder of Project: **October 2010**
- Kiewit Turner awarded Notice to Proceed: **2 Sept 2010**
- Strategic meetings on Governance and Sharing agreements for services: **On-Going**



Project Eagle

Challenges



- Aggressive time schedule for design
- Hard Deadline for DoD occupancy: **Feb 2012**
- Information Management/Technology requires enterprise solution
 - Linking DoD & VA information systems (EMR)
- Title 5 & Title 38 – awaiting legislation change



AF Academy Initiative



Concept of Operations

- Build a new partnership between VA & DoD at the AF Academy; utilizing excess capability & capacity
- Establish Joint VA/DoD Ambulatory Surgery in Southern Colorado
- Maximize Resources for Joint Utilization
 - Share OR Staff (Nurses & Technicians)
 - Utilize single support system (Equipment & Supplies)
 - Share Facilities (OR & Clinic Space)
- Realign Programmed Resources
 - Use DoD imaging, lab, pharmacy, and supplies
 - Remove VA Ambulatory Surgery from plan for new Community Based Outpatient Clinic



AF Academy Initiative



Goals / Milestones

- Resolved two separate Accrediting Bodies issues
- 1st *General Surgery* completed – July 2010
- VA OR *staff augmented* AF OR operations during PCS and Deployment staffing fluctuations – Summer 2010
- 1st *Orthopedic Surgery* completed – September 2010
- *Urology Equipment* on order – September 2010
- *Ophthalmology* scheduled to start – October 2010
- *Urology Surgeon* search in progress



Conclusion

- A foundation has been set
- Progress continues
- More to come...



Questions



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